

Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin

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Conditions Report

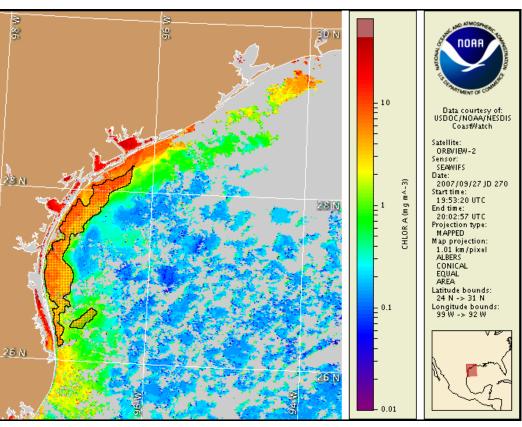
There have been no recent reports of red tide. No impacts are expected along Texas coast.

Analysis

Cloudy after Sep 27. Coastal anomaly continues from Matagorda Bay south to Padre Island. Previous bulletins were cloudy south of Baffin Bay, precluding analysis. The highest apparent chlorophyll is from Matagorda Bay to Corpus Christi Bay. Up to 10 μ g/L While feature continues along Padre Island, some indication of a change about 26d35N.

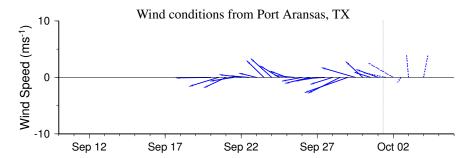
A different bloom (of lower concentration), appears oriented coast perpendicular at about 26d25'N at 18-20 km offshore. Chlorophyll about 2 μ g/L.

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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from September 24 to 27 shown as red (high), orange (medium), yellow (low b), brown (low a), blue(very low b), purple (very low a), pink (present), and green (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the HABFS bulletin guide:

http://www.csc.noaa.gov/crs/habf/habfs_bulletin_guide.pdf



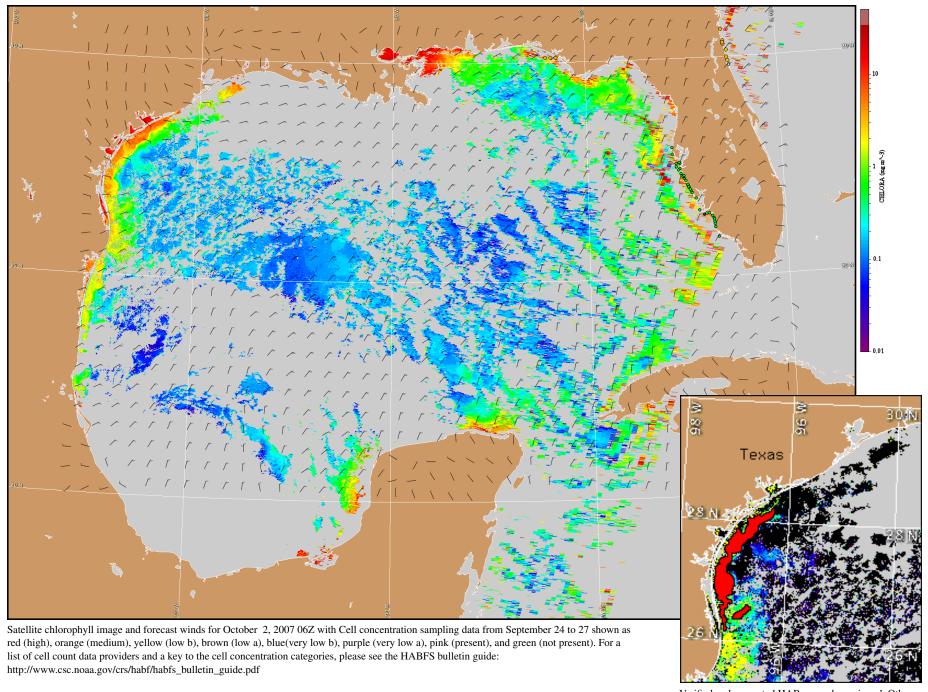
Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts.

Monday, east winds 10 knots, 3 to 5 foot seas SE winds to 10 knots Tuesday and Wed.

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Verified and suspected HAB areas shown in red. Other areas of high chlorophyll concentration shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).